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ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a desulfurizing agent manufacturing method which is characterized in that a mixed aqueous solution containing a copper compound and a zinc compound and an aqueous solution of an alkali substance are mixed so that a precipitate is produced, the precipitate thus obtained is calcined, and a formed body of a copper oxide - zinc oxide mixture is obtained using a slurry of the calcined product obtained as described above, after which this formed body is impregnated with the elements iron or nickel and further calcined, and the calcined oxide body thus obtained is reduced with hydrogen. The present invention also provides a method for desulfurizing hydrocarbons using the desulfurizing agent thus obtained.

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